

Subject: Join me this weekend in Glassell Park!
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Mitch O'Farrell, Councilmember, 13th District



Friend --

I have an exciting Councilmember in Your Corner planned for this weekend in my own community of Glassell Park! The event is a chance to meet my constituents, share my appreciation for our local community volunteers and our small business owners, as well as canvass neighborhoods to distribute important contact information for free city services.

My next district walk will take place **Saturday, February 27, 9:30 a.m. on the southeast corner of Fletcher Drive and Estara Avenue, in Glassell Park.** I would love to see you there!

This month, I am partnering with three great organizations to host the event: the Glassell Park Improvement Association, the Central City Action Committee, and the Los Angeles Beautification Team. Dozens of volunteers will participate in a variety of neighborhood beautification activities, including a neighborhood cleanup, watering more than a 140 newly planted trees along Fletcher Drive and San Fernando Road, and the removal of graffiti. This will be one of our biggest community events to date, and I'm looking forward to seeing what we will accomplish together.

Across the district in Silver Lake, youth from the Sunburst Academy will descend on Myra Avenue to do a massive community cleanup. On several occasions over the past year, these young at-risk men who are mentored by the Los Angeles Police Department, have worked with our office to provide resources in the community. I am so appreciative of their hard work and dedication, so if you see them out in your neighborhood, please stop and thank them for their service. I am sure they will appreciate the words of encouragement.

It's going to be a busy weekend in the district! I look forward to seeing you at my next Councilmember in Your Corner event in Glassell Park. If you want to join us, [please RSVP here.](#)

See you then,

Mitch O'Farrell

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ROADS TO AVOID AS HOLLYWOOD PREPS FOR OSCAR



HOLLYWOOD -- The City of Los Angeles is preparing itself for the 88th Oscars! In an effort to mitigate increased traffic in the area and to ensure public safety, the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) has finalized street closures for the following areas.

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CITY COUNCIL VOTES TO REVOKE OPERATING PERMIT FOR HOLLYWOOD NIGHTCLUB

CITY HALL -- Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell announced Wednesday that the City Council affirmed the Department of City Planning's (DCP) decision to revoke a conditional use permit (CUP) for a Hollywood nightclub because of multiple land use violations and criminal activity.

Cashmere, also known as The Day After, located on Hollywood Boulevard at North McCadden Place, has been the focus of numerous investigations by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS). In August 2015, a 20-year old male DJ died while employed at the nightclub, and in a separate incident in 2014, investigators say a female college student was sexually assaulted.

"The incidents at Cashmere presented the City with an opportunity to streamline the process of bringing rogue nightclubs into compliance," said Councilmember O'Farrell. "These events serve as an example of the brazenness of some club operators to thumb their nose at the the law and their utter disregard for the safety and security of their employees and patrons."

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CITY CREWS BEGIN WORK ON ENHANCEMENTS TO SECURE BARNSDALL PARK



EAST HOLLYWOOD -- Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), the Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA), and the Barnsdall Art Park Foundation recently announced that crews started the installation of a tubular steel fence and two gates around the exposed perimeter of Barnsdall Arts Park to better secure the property.

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CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE HEARS O'FARRELL MOTION ON UNPERMITTED & REMOVAL OF STREET TREES

CITY HALL - The City's Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee heard Councilmember O'Farrell's motion on seeking better enforcement and inspection protocols to halt illegal street tree pruning and removal. Councilmember O'Farrell asked the Bureau of Street Services and the City Attorney to report on the establishment of administrative fines and other potential improvements to current practices in order to preserve our urban canopy. "My goal is to create a more robust policy that will provide more tools to crack down on these acts of vandalism," said Councilmember O'Farrell on Facebook.

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TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE - KOREATOWN AND ECHO PARK



KOREATOWN - This large pile of palm fronds and debris at Maplewood Ave & N. Hobart Blvd created a public safety hazard for vehicles and pedestrians. The CD13 Clean Team cleared the street of this road hazard instantly and improved safety for residents in this neighborhood.

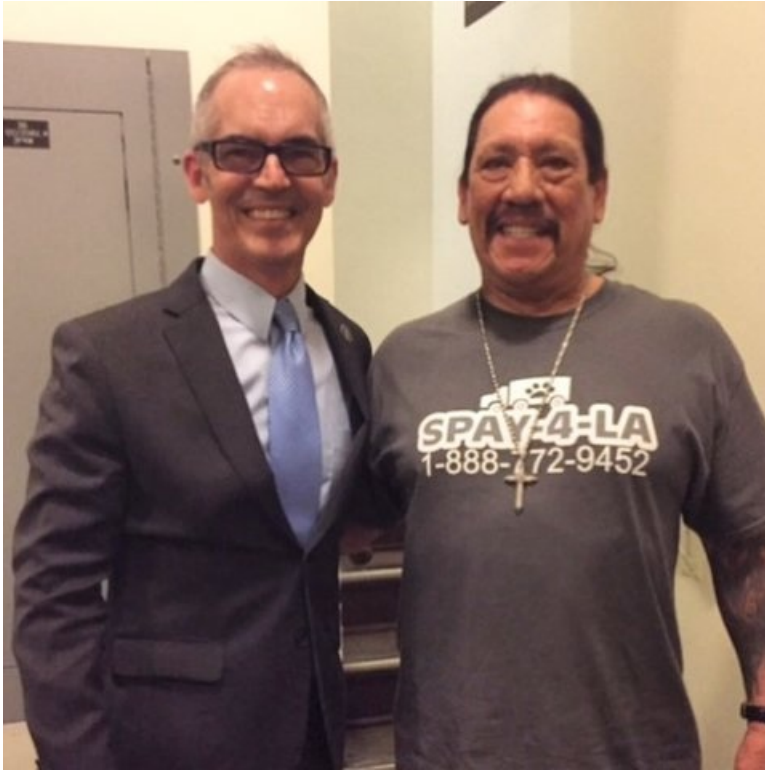


ECHO PARK - The recent rains brought down lots of debris that settled in the crosswalk at Echo Park

Ave and Morton Ave. The CD 13 Clean Team removed debris from the street, and cleared mud and litter from the crosswalks and storm drains. See an area that needs some attention? Call our community organizer Sylvan De La Cruz at 213-207-3015.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



CITY HALL - Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell welcomed actor and animal welfare advocate Danny Trejo to the Council Chamber this week. Trejo was downtown to raise awareness about [World Spay Day](#).

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